



## **PPL Economic Development Partnership Program**

### **LEED Certification Program**

#### **Purpose:**

- To promote construction or renovation of commercial office, industrial and warehouse buildings, facilities owned and occupied by 501C3s (e.g. art galleries, hospitals, museums, libraries, etc.), and college and university facilities that are environmentally responsible, profitable and healthy places to work.
- To encourage local economic development organizations, 501C3s and universities, commercial and industrial architectural and design firms and developers/owners to “build green.”

#### **Qualified Organizations**

All non-profit economic development organizations, 501C3s and universities, plus architectural and design firms and developers/owners building facilities in PPL-served communities in Central Eastern Pennsylvania.

#### **Eligible Activities**

- Registration Fees
- Certification Fees including Design Review, Construction Review, Initial Certification Review

#### **PPL Support**

Qualified organizations can receive reimbursement for registration fees, design review, construction review and initial certification review fees paid to the U.S. Green Building Council for up to a maximum of \$5,000 per project located in *PPL's Pennsylvania Electric Service Region*. Projects which achieve Gold or Platinum certification will be rewarded with an additional \$5,000 grant on achieving “gold” or “platinum” status.

Grants will be subject to availability of funds. PPL will give priority to green projects developed by non-profit economic development partners.

#### **Application and Reimbursement Procedure**

1. Discuss your project with PPL's Economic Development Manager, Donald Bernhard, 610-774-5458.
2. Complete the simple contact information form available on PPL's website at [www.ppleconomicdevelopment.com](http://www.ppleconomicdevelopment.com) and submit electronically or in hard copy.
3. Include a simple letter that briefly describes your project including estimated cost, projected permanent new jobs and the LEED status you are pursuing.

You will be notified by letter whether or not you receive the award.

To apply for your grant funds, a request for reimbursement must be made to PPL Economic Development *on or before November 30 of the application year*. The request should include

- A copy of the application form and proof of payment of the registration and certification fees to USGBC will be required for reimbursement.
- An invoice on your letterhead for the amount of the certification/registration fee.
- A final summary or letter about PPL's participation in the initiative.
- A current W-9.
- If applicable, proof of 501C3 status.
- Agreement to work with PPL to publicize the project.

To receive the "gold" or "platinum" achievement grant,

- Photos of the completed project along with a copy of the "gold" or "platinum" certification will be required.
- A current W-9

PPL will assist in marketing the completed project through our Available Property Locator upon submission of a completed Property Checklist, a photo and a floor plan.

### **Restrictions**

All support is subject to pre-approval and the availability of funds. Within any one calendar year, PPL reserves the right to limit the number of reimbursements to any one organization.